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1. [redacted] in a conversation with two unidentified Soviets, commented upon the long delay in the delivery of Moskvich cars from the Soviet Union. One of these men stated that there is a large demand for them in Russia, but that every automobile factory there is either partially or entirely employed in manufacturing tanks.

2. Source states that Tawfiq Tarabulsi, who is to sell the cars in the Middle East on a commission basis, has haunted the offices of the Soviet Commercial Attaché, inquiring about the cars. Finally, on 25 August, five Moskviches were unloaded in Beirut from the ship, STAMBUL.

3. Source has learned that the wealthy Lebanese merchant who is backing Tarabulsi is Lulu Bassul.

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